## Indiana State Board of Education Request for Freeway School Accreditation

Board Date: April 4 2012

School: New Vision Christian Academy

Education Director: Ricco Butler

Address: 610 North Logan Street

Mishawaka, Indiana 46545

Grade Span: PK-12

<u>Public/Private</u>: Private

**Current Enrollment:** 

<u>Targeted Population</u>: Families in the Mishawaka and South Bend area seeking a private, Christian school education for their children.

The following executive summary has been compiled by the Office of School Accreditation for use by the Indiana State Board of Education. It includes information presented by the school during the accreditation process, potential legal standard issues, and any other information collected during the process that may impact accreditation.

<u>Identity</u>: New Vision Christian Academy is located in the mid-size city of Mishawaka, Indiana. The ethnicity of New Vision Christian Academy is 99 percent African-American, 0 percent Caucasian, 1 percent Hispanic, 0 percent Multiracial, and 0 percent Asian.

The ethnicity of the community (City of Mishawaka) being served is 91.58 percent Caucasian, 3.56 percent African American, 0.43 percent Native American, 1.39 percent Asian, 0.05 percent Pacific Islander, 1.06 percent from other races, and 1.93 percent from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race is 2.79 percent of the population.

<u>Curriculum</u>: New Vision Christian Academy educational program consists of mastery-based curriculum and materials that are self-instructional, character building, and individually prescribed. Whether the student is a high achiever, a moderately paced learner, or a slow learner, the educational process begins at the exact level determined by the child's ability. This individualization makes it possible for each student to master the subject matter.

<u>Testing History:</u> The school uses software testing to monitor student progress, grade level achievement. Significant additional data will be available when the school administers ISTEP+ and the End of Course Assessments in the 2012-13 academic year.

<u>Staffing</u>: The teachers at the school are licensed. There is a commitment to add additional teachers with licenses as the school grows in enrollment.

Waiver Requests: None requested

<u>Issues</u>: Staffing

Recommendations: Full Five-Year Freeway Accreditation

Rationale: New Vision Academy's staffing levels and teacher licensure are

comparable to other Freeway schools.